

HONORING 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF MESSIAS TEMPLE CHURCH AND THE PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY OF SUFFRAGAN BISHOP HARRY S. GRAYSON

**HON. JOHN D. DINGELL**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, November 18, 2011*

Mr. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the honorable Suffragan Bishop Harry S. Grayson, who is celebrating his 60th birthday and 20th year of service as the pastor of The Messias Temple Church, as well as the 70th Anniversary of the Church in the community of Ypsilanti, Michigan. As friends and family and community members gathered last Saturday on November 12, 2011 to honor both anniversaries, my wife Deborah and I joined the service to honor the church and Pastor Grayson's service and care to the Ypsilanti community.

Time tends to show us what is really important in life. Since the founding of the Messias Temple on November 10, 1940, four pastors have dedicated their lives to spreading the Gospel and ministering to the well-being of the congregation and the community. As the church family grew in size, so did the church's community outreach and it was the spirit and leadership of these ministers, including Pastor Grayson, that have made the difference.

Over the past 20 years, many programs that promote the joy of giving have been initiated under the fine leadership of Pastor Grayson. They include the sharing of hot meals, holiday food giveaways, and vital prison, shelter, and re-entry ministries. I also applaud his commitment to promoting education in Ypsilanti through tutoring, financial assistance programs, and educational children activities. Pastor Grayson and his lovely wife Mary have raised their three children in the same place where he came of age and found his call for the ministry. His compassion, tireless efforts, and loving care for the Ypsilanti community is extraordinary and I am not alone in celebrating the amazing positive impact the church and Pastor Grayson have had in my district.

NATIONAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS WEEK

**HON. EARL BLUMENAUER**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, November 18, 2011*

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, this week we recognize millions of Americans who have voluntarily joined together to meet important needs in their communities. National Community Foundations Week celebrates the generosity and shared efforts to common goals that mark the American character.

Community foundations make substantial contributions to our nation's well-being in areas such as health care and social services, education and the arts, economic development, and environmental protection. In 2010, community foundations gave an estimated \$4 billion to a variety of nonprofit activities.

Directed by volunteers, community foundations provide effective leadership in communities throughout the United States, often

supplementing or assisting in the coordination of public programs and other private services. They are one of the fastest-growing forms of philanthropy in the United States.

The Oregon Community Foundation exemplifies these virtues. For instance, its "Access to Higher Education" initiative includes a one-on-one mentoring program fostering post-high school education and a scholarship program directing millions of dollars each year to help Oregonians pursue advanced education. The Oregon Community Foundation also addresses needs like literacy on the North Coast, children's dental health in South Willamette Valley and community school programs in Central Oregon.

Please join me in recognizing National Community Foundation Week, and in gratefully acknowledging the nation's charitable organizations as well as the concerned individuals who donate their time, talent, and resources.

CONGRATULATIONS TO CANTON HIGH SCHOOL STATE CHAMPION BOY'S SOCCER TEAM

**HON. THADDEUS G. MCCOTTER**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, November 18, 2011*

Mr. MCCOTTER. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to acknowledge the Division 1 State Champion Boys' Soccer Team from Canton High School. On November 5, 2011, the Canton Chiefs eked out a 1-0 victory over Grand Haven, marking their 1st State Championship since 1994 when Head Coach George Tomasso was the Canton goalkeeper.

After having amassed a division record of 9-0-1 and winning the Kensington Lake Athletic Association's South Division, the Kensington Conference and the KLAA overall title, the Chiefs headed in to district play with overall regular season tally of 14-1-2. Canton leveled Ann Arbor Skyline 2-1 before taming the Northville Mustangs 3-0 in the district semifinal. The Chiefs caged the Novi Wildcats, winning 3-1 in double overtime to take the District 5 crown.

Moving on to regional match-ups, Canton stormed past Dearborn by a score of 3-0. The Chiefs blazed by Ann Arbor Pioneer 4-1 to claim the Region 2 crown. Canton's defense would prove impenetrable against top ranked Warren DeLasalle in the semi-final round as the Red and White grounded the Pilots 1-0, setting the stage for the championship showdown.

Facing Grand Haven in the final match of the season, a pair of sophomore midfielders gave the Canton Chiefs the only goal they would need. At 3:32 in the second half, a perfectly threaded pass led to an unstoppable low shot ripping past the Buccaneers' goalie into the middle of the net. Canton's defense stymied the Bucs, giving the Chiefs the right to hoist the Michigan High School Athletic Association Division 1 Championship trophy.

Mr. Speaker, with a season record of 24-1-2 and having allowed only three goals during their entire playoff run, the 2011 Canton Chiefs deserve to be recognized for their determination, achievement, spirit and effort. I ask colleagues to join me in congratulating the Chiefs for obtaining this spectacular title and in honoring their devotion to our community and country.

IN COMMEMORATION OF WORLD REMEMBRANCE DAY

**HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, November 18, 2011*

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, as a co-chair of the Congressional Caucus on Global Road Safety, a caucus dedicated to supporting safe road travel worldwide, I rise to commemorate World Remembrance Day.

World Remembrance Day was established to honor the memory of those who have been injured or killed in traffic crashes around the world. The day was set aside as a sign of the world's commitment to preventing road traffic deaths, to educating drivers and pedestrians about the hazards of road travel and to improving the safety of our roads.

Road crashes are the leading cause of death globally for people between the ages of 5 and 29 years old. According to the 2009 Global Status Report on Road Safety, nearly 1,300,000 people globally die in road crashes each year. Unless action is taken, it is predicted that road traffic injuries could double by 2030, killing an estimated 2,400,000 people per year.

The hazards of road travel are a persistent problem regardless of a country's wealth. According to a report by the Governors Highway Safety Association, a body representing the safety departments from around the U.S., the overall number of pedestrian fatalities in this country is increasing.

Statistics such as these are the rallying call of a growing number of public safety groups like the Association for Safe International Road Travel. Due to ASIRT's determined advocacy, there is now an increased emphasis being placed by American officials on providing our citizens with the tools they need to travel safely while abroad. ASIRT's encouragement influenced the Department of State's decision to post road safety information on its website and to offer safe driver training at its missions around the world.

I am proud of my association with ASIRT. Its commitment to raising awareness about the hazards of road travel is helping to make the world a safer place. On this World Remembrance Day, may we all take a moment to reflect on the importance of road safety.

IN CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE AND THEATRICAL ACHIEVEMENTS OF SHAUNEILLE PERRY

**HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, November 18, 2011*

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, today I rise with great cultural pride to join Byron Lewis, CEO of Uniworld Group, Woodie King, Jr., Founder and Executive Artistic Director of New Federal Theatre and Voza Rivers, Co-Founder and Executive Producer of New Heritage Theatre to celebrate the life and theatrical achievements of renowned actor, author, director and educator, Shauneille Perry.

On November 13, 2011, at Harlem's landmarked Riverside Church, the Uniworld Group, New Federal Theatre and New Heritage Theatre will join hundreds of actors, playwrights, designers, technicians, and students